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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CERTAIN SUBHEADINGS IN CHAPTER 29

(Item II.A.15 on the Agenda)

Reference documents :

- 42.240 (RSC/18)
- 42.500, Annex B/8 (RSC/18 - Report)
- 42.762 (SSC/14)
- 42.850, Annex A/9 (SSC/14 - Report)

I. BACKGROUND

1. At its 18<sup>th</sup> Session (October 1998), the Sub-Committee held a preliminary discussion on the Chinese proposal concerning amendments to the following subheadings in Chapter 29 : subheadings 2905.15, 2905.16, 2915.60, 2933.40, 2934.20 and 2934.30. The Sub-Committee decided to seek the advice of the Scientific Sub-Committee on this matter, in particular, as (i) whether the present legal texts sought to be amended by the proposal were unclear and, therefore, needed to be amended; and (ii) whether the proposed amendments would change the scope of the subheadings involved.

II. EXAMINATION BY THE SCIENTIFIC SUB-COMMITTEE

2. Concerning subheadings 2905.15 and 2905.16, the Scientific Sub-Committee did not agree with the Chinese proposal, since the current texts had not posed any problems and the suggested amendments seemed unnecessary.

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3. With regard to the wording of subheading 2915.60, the Sub-Committee noted that the current text might result in the misclassification of isomers of certain chemical products, such as valeric acids. In order to avoid such problems, the Sub-Committee suggested amendment of the text of this subheading, as set out in the Annex to this document. In this respect, it was pointed out that amendments to the Explanatory Notes to heading 29.15 would also be required, in line with this legal amendment.
4. As regards subheadings 2933.40, 2934.20 and 2934.30, the Sub-Committee agreed with the Chinese proposal to insert the expression "in the structure" in the texts of these subheadings. The texts approved are set forth in the Annex to this document.

### III. CONCLUSION

5. The Review Sub-Committee is invited to examine the proposed amendments to the legal texts prepared by the Scientific Sub-Committee as set out in the Annex to this document.

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ANNEXE  
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AMENDEMENTS EVENTUELS DE LA NOMENCLATURE ET DES NOTES EXPLICATIVES  
DE CERTAINES POSITIONS DU CHAPITRE 29  
(Point II.A.15 de l'ordre du jour)

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ANNEX  
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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE NOMENCLATURE AND EXPLANATORY NOTES  
CONCERNING CERTAIN SUBHEADINGS OF CHAPTER 29  
(Item II.A.15 on the Agenda)

PROCEDURE DE L'ARTICLE 16

A. AMENDEMENT A LA NOMENCLATURE

CHAPITRE 29.

N° 2915.60.

Nouvelle rédaction :

“2915.60 - Acides butanoïques, et acides pentanoïques, leurs sels et leurs esters”.

N° 2933.40.

Texte anglais seulement.

N° 2934.20.

Texte anglais seulement.

N° 2934.30.

Texte anglais seulement.

B. MODIFICATIONS DES NOTES EXPLICATIVES

Page 383. N° 2915.60.

Nouvelle rédaction :

“2915.60 - Acides **butanoïques**, et acides **pentanoïques, leurs sels et leurs esters**”.

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N° 2933.40.

Texte anglais seulement.

N° 2934.20.

Texte anglais seulement.

N° 2934.30.

Texte anglais seulement.

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ARTICLE 16 PROCEDURE

A. AMENDMENTS TO THE NOMENCLATURE

CHAPTER 29.

Subheading 2915.60.

Delete and substitute :

“2915.60 - Butanoic acids, pentanoic acids, their salts and esters”.

Heading 2933.40.

Delete and substitute :

“2933.40 - Compounds containing in the structure a quinoline or isoquinoline ring-system (whether or not hydrogenated), not further fused”.

Heading 2934.20.

Delete and substitute :

“2934.20 - Compounds containing in the structure a benzothiazole ring-system (whether or not hydrogenated), not further fused”.

Heading 2934.30.

Delete and substitute :

“2934.30 - Compounds containing in the structure a phenothiazine ring-system (whether or not hydrogenated), not further fused”.

B. AMENDMENTS TO THE EXPLANATORY NOTES

Page 383. Subheading 2915.60.

Delete and substitute :

“2915.60 - **Butanoic acids, pentanoic acids, their salts and esters**”.

Heading 2933.40.

Delete and substitute :

“2933.40 - **Compounds containing in the structure a quinoline or isoquinoline ring-system (whether or not hydrogenated), not further fused**”.

Heading 2934.20.

Delete and substitute :

“2934.20 - **Compounds containing in the structure a benzothiazole ring-system (whether or not hydrogenated), not further fused**”.

Heading 2934.30.

Delete and substitute :

“2934.30 - **Compounds containing in the structure a benzothiazole ring-system (whether or not hydrogenated), not further fused**”.

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